

Approved Biennial Budget 2001-2002



About the Cover

Front Cover:

The Tyler-Davidson Fountain

The Tyler-Davidson Fountain, affectionately known as “the People’s Fountain,” after being restored, was rededicated “TO THE PEOPLE OF CINCINNATI” in May 2000. Throughout the decades, Cincinnatians have gathered at the fountain for public ceremonies, holidays, events, rallies, and the special celebrations that give community life its greatest meaning.

Cincinnati philanthropist Henry Probasco commissioned the fountain based on the design of a young German sculptor named August von Kieling. The design depicted people in everyday pursuits enjoying the many uses and benefits of water. The fountain, crafted of bronze and porphyry stone, was first dedicated on October 6, 1871 on Probasco Place – later renamed Fountain Square.

[Photography: City Manager’s Office.]

Back Cover:

Styler Davidsown Sow-tain

The Big Pig Gig, which kicked-off on Fountain Square and ran from February through September 2000, was a collaborative effort of schools, businesses, non-profit organizations and area artists to unify Cincinnati’s art community and celebrate the City’s “Porkopolis” heritage. Over 400 fiberglass pigs were sponsored and later auctioned off to raise money for ArtWorks – an arts based employment and job-training program for youth in Greater Cincinnati.

The Styler Davidsown Sow-tain made its debut in The Big Pig Gig in June, 2000. It bears an uncanny resemblance to the original fountain, complete with bronze coloring and water spraying from the top.

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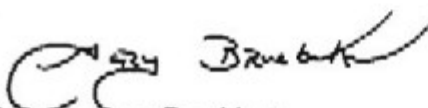


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The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented an Award for Distinguished Budget Presentation to the City of Cincinnati for its biennium budget beginning January 1, 1999.

In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as an operations guide, as a financial plan and as a communications medium.

The award is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current biennial budget continues to conform to program requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.

Introduction



The City of Cincinnati's 2001/2002 Biennial Budget document is designed to help the residents of Cincinnati and the general public to better understand both the City's budget process and its end product, the City's 2001/2002 Biennial Budget. The Budget is divided into seven parts.

- **Part I** presents the highlights of the City's Budget.
- **Part II** presents the basics on how the Budget was developed including sections on the sources and uses of funds and the various policies that shaped the budget.
- **Part III** presents the performance measures that departments report on and are systematically evaluated upon.
- **Part IV** presents financial summaries of the appropriated funds - Operating, Capital and Consolidated Plan.
- **Part V** presents budgetary data as it relates to the various City departments charged with carrying out the budgetary objectives established by the City Council.
- **Part VI** primarily presents an economic and demographic profile of the City of Cincinnati.
- **Part VII** presents supplemental information in several appendices, including a glossary which may help the reader to better understand the document and the terms contained therein.

This Budget is the City's financial plan for the 2001/2002 biennium. Because it determines the level of City services and the way in which these services will be funded, it often becomes a focal point for public discussion. Many of the key decisions regarding the way the City operates are made through the creation of the Budget. Understanding the Budget is a prerequisite for having an impact on City government. Therefore, in addition to the highlights contained in Part I, it is recommended that the Budget Development section in Part II Budget Basics be read to enhance the budget reader's benefit from this document.